



File Code: 2720

Date: May 7, 2012

Dear Permit Holder:

Many of you will be heading to your cabins soon to start preparing for the summer season. Hopefully you will have a chance to relax and enjoy the time at your cabin this season and summer will last a little longer than last year. There are a few items I would like to remind you of as follows:

- **Wildlife:** On October 11, 2011, the Idaho Panhandle National Forests implemented a Food Storage Closure Order. This order is for all National Forest lands within the Priest Lake and Bonners Ferry Ranger Districts and portions of the Sandpoint Ranger District. Visitors and all permit holders will be required to comply with the order. As a permit holder, you already have restrictions in place for protection of wildlife species. As outlined in your permit the following are prohibited:
  - a) Outside storage of food, recycling and garbage,
  - b) Storing garbage outside (except in an approved bear resistant garbage can),
  - c) Bird or other animal feeding, including seed suet and nectar (Includes hummingbird feeders).

Thank you for your efforts to comply with these requirements since they were implemented in 2004. Field inspections will be made this summer to ensure that all holders are continuing to follow the closure order and permit requirements. Copies of the closure order are available at any of the above listed Ranger District Offices, the Forest Supervisor's Office in Coeur d' Alene, or may be obtained online at:  
[www.fs.usda.gov/ipnf](http://www.fs.usda.gov/ipnf).

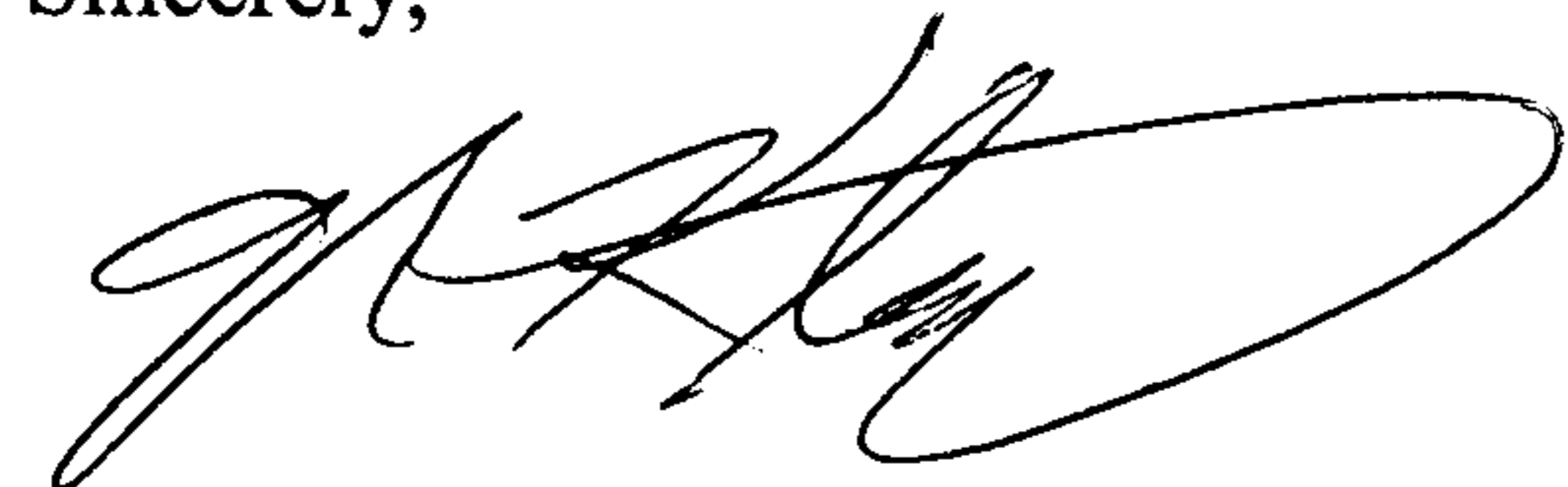
- **Permit and Operating Plan (Standards and Guidelines):** This is a good time to review your permit and Recreation Residence Standards and Guidelines to make sure you are familiar with the requirements and responsibilities of having a cabin on public land. Additional copies of the Recreation Residence Standards and Guidelines are available from the website listed above.
- **Fireworks:** I would like to emphasize that the storage, possession and use of fireworks on National Forest lands is strictly prohibited any time of year.
- **Applications for Construction & Modifications:** In 2010, we implemented "Open Season". Unless you have a serious health and safety issue with your cabin or lot, we will not consider proposals for any modifications to your permitted cabin or lot. You will need to hold your request until the next "Open Season" starts on September 15<sup>th</sup>.



The enclosure accompanying this letter includes information and phone numbers that you may want to post at your cabin. It contains useful information for you as the permit holder, as well as for family members and guests. Please note that our office hours have changed to 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed holidays).

If you have any questions regarding your permit, please contact your Permit Administrator, Debbie Butler, at (208) 443-6822. You can also e-mail her at: [dabutler@fs.fed.us](mailto:dabutler@fs.fed.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Klingler', with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

GLENN D. KLINGLER  
District Ranger

Enclosure

Cc: Debbie Butler  
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